

CHAPA'S FY2025 BUDGET PRIORITIES

The Goal: 200,000 Homes in Thriving Communities by 2030

CHAPA BELIEVES THAT EVERYONE SHOULD HAVE A SAFE, HEALTHY, ACCESSIBLE, AND AFFORDABLE HOME IN COMMUNITIES THEY CHOOSE.

CHAPA has a bold plan to cultivate a stronger housing ecosystem statewide by the end of the decade so that all our people, cities, and towns thrive.

Our plan sets a goal of creating **200,000 homes — including 40,000 affordable and 20,000 deeply affordable homes** — by 2030.

As we work towards the goal, we need to ensure housing stability for households that need assistance right now.

We can create more equitable and thriving communities by investing in programs for affordable housing, homelessness prevention, and community development in the FY2025 state budget by focusing on CHAPA's **top budget priorities**:

- Invest **\$300 MILLION** in **MASSACHUSETTS RENTAL VOUCHER PROGRAM (MRVP)** to create new vouchers and codify MRVP into state statute through the outside section.
- Expand **ALTERNATIVE HOUSING VOUCHER PROGRAM (AHVP)** with **\$30 MILLION** investment to create more deeply affordable and accessible homes for people with disabilities.
- Preserve **PUBLIC HOUSING** with **\$189 MILLION** in operating subsidy to ensure housing stability for current and future public housing tenants.
- Expand **RESIDENTIAL ASSISTANCE FOR FAMILIES IN TRANSITION (RAFT)** with **\$300 MILLION** allocation to help families retain stable housing and prevent homelessness.
- Invest **\$3.5 MILLION IN THE ACCESS TO COUNSEL** initiative to help tenants and property owners with low income to access legal representation and prevent evictions.
- Fund a **STATEWIDE OFFICE OF FAIR HOUSING** with **\$5 MILLION** to help prevent housing discrimination while ensuring everyone is doing their part to affirmatively further fair housing.

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The following lists CHAPA's FY2025 state budget priorities for affordable housing, community development, and homelessness prevention programs.

Line-Item	Program	FY2024 Requests	Guv's FY25 Budget	FY24 Budget	FY23 Budget
7004-9024	Mass. Rental Voucher Program	\$300,000,000	\$219,038,574^	\$199,597,023*	\$154,000,000
7004-9030	Alternative Housing Voucher Program	\$30,000,000	\$16,355,696	\$26,863,078*	\$13,685,355
7004-9316	Residential Assistance for Families in Transition	\$300,000,000	\$197,406,952	\$190,000,000	\$150,000,000
7004-9005	Public Housing Operating	\$184,000,000	\$112,000,000	\$107,000,000	\$92,000,000
7004-3036	Housing Consumer Education Centers	\$12,000,000	\$8,774,000	\$10,474,000	\$9,700,000
7004-9007	Public Housing Reform	\$2,000,000	\$1,250,000	\$1,315,000	\$1,000,000
7004-0104	Home & Healthy for Good	\$11,000,000	\$8,390,000	\$8,890,000	\$6,390,000
7004-0108	HomeBASE	\$80,000,000	\$57,300,000	\$37,070,445	\$59,411,201
7006-0011	Foreclosure & Housing Counseling	\$3,050,000	\$1,500,000	\$3,050,000	\$3,050,000
7004-3045	Tenancy Preservation Program	\$2,000,000	\$2,042,755	\$2,042,755	\$1,800,000
4120-4001	MassAccess Registry	\$300,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000
4000-0007	Unaccompanied Homeless Youth	\$15,000,000	\$10,545,850	\$11,000,000	\$9,500,000
7004-0106	New Lease for Homeless Families	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$250,000
NEW	Fair Housing Trust Fund	\$5,000,000	-	-	-
NEW	Access to Counsel Program	\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000	-	-

^ Includes estimated \$10 million leftover from the FY24 budget

* Includes the unspent funds from FY23

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